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1. Agency ___██████████████___

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Component/location ___██████████████___

Purpose or principal activity (military planning, foreign aid, briefing, research, etc.) ___RESEARCH___

Your position (job title) ___REFERENCE LIBRARIAN___

Your fields of responsibility (geographic area and/or specialty) _____

2. Is the NIS Production Status Report available for your use?   ✓ Yes   ___ No

   Do you regularly use it?   ✓ Yes   ___ No

3. Receipt of NIS units is:

   ___ Regular and   ✓ Irregular, with   ___ Sporadic and
       systematic   some gaps   uncertain

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4. Below is a list of available NIS publications.

 a) Indicate in column I the frequency of use by means of the following symbols:

   A=Regularly   B=Occasionally   C=Rarely   D=Never

 b) Indicate in column II your use, according to the following symbols (multiple uses may be indicated):

   1=Planning and operations
   2=Research, analysis, and production
   3=Briefings

   4=General background and orientation
   5=Other (specify) _____

Col. I	Col. II			
A	2 4 _ _	General Survey (check sections used most frequently) __ Chronology _✓Introduction _✓Geography _✓Transp. and Telecom. _✓Sociological _✓Political __ Economic __ Scientific _✓Armed Forces __ Area Brief _✓Summary Map
B	4 2 _ _	Basic Intelligence Factbook
C	3 _ _ _	Coasts and Landing Beaches
B	2 4 _ _	Weather and Climate
B	2 4 _ _	Meteorological Organization and Facilities
A	2 4 _ _	Topography
B	2 4 _ _	Urban Areas
C	2 4 _ _	Railroads
C	2 4 _ _	Highways
C	2 4 _ _	Inland Waterways
C	2 4 _ _	Ports and Naval Facilities
C	2 4 _ _	Merchant Marine
C	2 4 _ _	Civil Air

Col. I	Col. II	
C	2 4 _ _	Telecommunications
B	1 2 _ _	Population
B	4 2 _ _	Characteristics of the People
C	2 4 _ _	Religion, Education, and Public Information
C	2 4 _ _	Manpower
C	2 4 _ _	Health and Sanitation
C	2 4 _ _	Intelligence and Security
C	2 4 _ _	Subversion and Insurgency
C	2 4 _ _	Agriculture, Fisheries, and Forestry
C	2 4 _ _	Fuels
C	2 4 _ _	Electric Power
C	2 4 _ _	Minerals and Metals
C	2 4 _ _	Manufacturing and Construction
C	2 4 _ _	Trade and Finance
B	2 4 _ _	Armed Forces
C	2 4 _ _	Marine Climate
C	2 4 _ _	Oceanography

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5. In general, do you consider yourself:

☑ a. Regular user of NIS publications

— b. Infrequent user

6. If you checked 5,a, above, which of the following best describes NIS usefulness: (If more than one applies, indicate rank by using 1 for highest.)

— Principal source of information

— Secondary source

— Supplies information in a conveniently assembled form not otherwise available

— Supplies corroborative information

— Other (specify) _____

7. If you checked 5,b, above, which of the following best describes your reasons for only infrequent use:
(If more than one applies, indicate rank by using 1 for highest.)

— Not readily available

_1_ Not sufficiently current

— Too summarized and generalized

— Too detailed

— Only marginally related to my needs

— Needs filled by other publications (specify) _____

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— NIS of value only in conjunction with other publications (specify) _____

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_2_ Other (specify) _frequently users desire unclassified + unproprietary sources_

8. Has the NIS been consulted for crisis situations, crash projects, or emergency planning?

☑ Yes   — No   Why? _only place data conveniently assembled_
    If you checked "Yes" above, how useful was it under these circumstances?

— Excellent   ☑ Good   — Adequate   — Marginal

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9. With reference to the NIS publications listed in 4, above, what are the major short-

comings you have found in the NIS? (Please relate these to your own needs, consid-

ering adequacy of coverage, reliability of content, currency, length and detail of pres-

entation, and security classification.) _The greatest shortcoming is_

failure to keep the information current. Adequacy,

reliability, length and detail of presentation are fine

as far as the dates covered are concerned. For our

purposes a somewhat more-historical approach

would also be useful since we often use

it to analyze past crises. Security classifi-

cation is often senseless especially considering the

age of the data, although I must say it is more reasonable than

usual CIA security restrictions,

(answer may be continued on the reverse)

10. What specific suggestions can you make for improving the content (including

graphics), coverage, organization, and format of NIS units? _A detailed_

index to each chapter or each section if necessary

would make the NIS truly encyclopedic in

format and be most useful. If you are unable

to update the main NIS conveniently, perhaps an

expanded Basic Intelligence Factbook would serve

the purpose. In both works, frequent cross-

references to other intelligence publications — especially

those updated more regularly — would be valuable, →

(answer may be continued on the reverse)

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More frequent updating of sections on population and
transportation data.   Include a political map
showing internal administrative boundaries in the
General Survey for each country.   Revise general
surveys annually.